

To Whom It May Concern

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My name is Caterina Maw and we have a son Frederick that is in DOC custody at Deer Lodge. He has been there since January of 2018. He has a severe mental illness of Schizoaffective, depression, PTSD, BPD and it has taken us years to get him stabilized.

On June 14, 2018 our world was turned upside down by MSP by a Dr. Daly. Dr. Daly all of a sudden decided to take our son off his Gidone cold turkey because he "is 24 and shouldn't be on all these meds". First of all anyone who deals with Mental illness meds knows that you can't take someone off their meds cold turkey. You have to titrate the meds down. Because of this careless act of incompetence our son started hallucinating again which he hasn't done in years. Hearing voices in his head. Hallucinations consist of monsters coming out of the TV, A dog named spot, people flying, buildings moving, he's an airplane. Hitting himself, starrng off in space. He's become very paranoid of people watching him and paranoid of 1 guard that this guard will hurt him. All of this is due to Dr. Daly taking our son off of his main psych med. I have gone around and around with Cindy Hiner, Connie Winner, Jamie (head Nurse Director) Kelly (counselor).

June 14-July 12 our son wrote many kites and grievances. He was threatened by Kelly his counselor at the time to stop kiting her because she has to respond to them and if he doesn't stop she was going to throw him into the hole. He had been telling them for a month that he had been having auditory hallucinations to cut but that he had and wasn't going to act on them.

On June 13, 2018 our son was thrown into solitary confinement. Kelly argued with me that he wasn't in solitary confinement that he was in the mental health ward because she was afraid of his hallucination to cut. I told her that if a person is locked down 23/1 that is considered solitary confinement. She argued that it wasn't. During this time he didn't receive his AM meds 3 times. (7/14, 7/19, & 7/24) He was very paranoid, Scared to death, hallucinating, crying like crazy. But yet all this time Kelly is telling me that our son isn't in solitary. Well then what is solitary? He was locked up with no books, TV, personal conversations with others, showers were rare. Amount of time he was out from 7/13-7/25

Date	Time Allowed out of Cell
7/13/18	0
7/14/18	20 mins
7/15/18	30 mins
7/16/18	40 mins
7/17/18	0
7/18/18	30 mins
7/19/18	1hr 40 mins
7/20/18	1hr 30 mins
7/21/18	1hr (showered)
7/22/18	0
7/23/18	2 hrs 25 mins for groups
7/24/18	3-3.5 hrs (shower) groups
7/25/18	(Shower) went back to D Pod

Definition of SOLITARY CONFINEMENT

the state of being kept alone in a prison cell away from other prisoners

But yet according to mental health he's not in solitary confinement. I tried to get a hold of Dr. Daly on multiple occasions. Dr. Daly would not return my phone calls. MSP also tried to on multiple occasions say due to HIPPA they couldn't talk to me. Our son had not only signed a release of information (which on 6/14 Dr. Daly refused to give our son and told him he can have one at there next appt weeks from then.) which I had to argue with them to get that they are in violation of his rights to have. But we also have a power of attorney for our son. I did talk to the nursing director who stated on 7/25/18 that it didn't matter if I had a power of attorney or if our son signed a release of information because he's an adult and can tell us what's wrong. Which I informed her it's a little hard for a person who is mentally ill to be able to advocate for themselves and that's what we are doing is advocating for our son. That it's taken 5 years to stabilize our son and they get him and they destabilize him in 1 day when they got this new doctor.

6/21/18 I had talked to Cindy Hiner. She agreed with what Dr. Daly was doing. I told her that our son want's a new psych Dr. and that they have 2 telladocs that he could see. Cindy told me that there is only Dr. Daly and that he can't ask for a new doctor but can refuse treatment. Well on 6/22/18 a psych tech told our son that he didn't know why Cindy Hiner lied to his mom about telladocs that they have 2 telladocs.

I tried unsuccessfully to contact the acting warden, Head of DOC, Dr Daly & other acting heads at DOC with no return phone calls. Even called Family Liason Helena DOC (7/25/18) Sandy Jackie left message of what's going on and to call me back with no response back.

Unfortunately this is not an isolated problem at MSP. Dr. Daly has removed other inmates from their psych meds cold turkey and they became unstable. This is not a way to treat a mental ill person. Even though they are under DOC commitment they are still to be taken care of in a humane way by medical staff. To this day our son is still hallucinating both audibly and visually. He has told mental health with a couple kites and the 2 times a month which just changed to 1 time a month to check on him. Our son is now afraid to kite mental health due to them throwing him in the hole. Dr. Daly refuses to place our son back on his meds that kept him stable. Even though it was proven by multiple psych docs that the meds that he was on kept him stable, even by Dr. Hill at Warm Springs who has had to stabilize our son already when he was in the jails.

I have had to resort to calling the ACLU and the ADA to help in this matter.